of machines in phase I and II has been completed. Tender formalities have also been completed in respect of some other demolition and disposal works, rehabilitation and construction of miscellaneous buildings and sheds, etc.

(c) and (d) It was intended to implement this scheme with the Dutch financial and technical assistance. Implementation of the project has got delayed, because it has taken some time to obtain confirmation from the Dutch Authorities in regard to their financial commitment to this project.

(e) With the Dutch financial and technical assistance, it is now proposed to undertake the various activities relating to execution of this project expeditiously.

High-Speed Ferry Service between Panjim and Bombay

2258. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high-speed ferry service is likely to become operational between Panjim and Bombay around November this year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the fares to be charged from the passengers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The government has recently permitted M/s. Damania Airways Limited (Shipping Division) for acquisition of a new built Catamaran to be operated between Panjim and Bombay. As per indication given by the company, the service on this route is likely to be started in November, 1994. The likely passenger fare to be charged by the company is Rs. 700/- for lower deck and Rs 1,200/- for upper deck.

Transfer of DTC to Delhi Government

2259. SHRI O. P. KOHLI:

PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to transfer the DTC with its assets minus accumulated losses to the Government of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) At present, the Government have no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi is unlikely to accept the transfer of DTC in view of huge losses and financial outstanding liabilities of DTC, which the Central Government, presently is not in a position to write-off.

पथकर तथा चुंगी संबंधी ज्योति बसु समिति

2260. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :**
श्री दिग्विजय सिंह :

क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को पथकर तथा चुंगी को समाप्त करने के संबंध में ज्योति बसु समिति का प्रतिवेदन प्राप्त हो गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त समिति ने अपने प्रतिवेदन में क्या सिफारिशें की हैं तथा क्या सरकार इस प्रतिवेदन की सिफारिशों को लागू करना चाहेगी क्योंकि कर वसूल करना राज्यों का संवैधानिक अधिकार है ?